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SCALP THE SPIDERS

Final Fray with Spiders to be Held Here Saturday.

The eyes of all Patriot Indians are watching with great derision, the passing of the next three days, anxiously awaiting the contest with the Spiders next Saturday. This has always been the great game of the gridiron season, in which the Indians demonstrate their greatest knowledge of football and "fight" which is the fundamental requisite of the game.

Every heart and soul seems to be enthralled already with that old spirit, Scalp the Spiders!

If for any reason, the freshmen do not already understand this sentiment, take it upon yourselves to ask the upper-Classmen and then think about it very seriously. After you have obtained the idea, come over to the athletic rallies that are to be held in Chapel every night this week, and give everyone a taste of your feelings. Then with the proper co-ordination of the team and the student body, the freshmen will have the opportunity to see the Spiders Scalped, and will have the pleasure of stealing wood to make a bonfire in its honor. Freshmen this is a great pleasure!

BAFFERTON SCALPS TYLER.

Saturday was the day in which gridiron classics of different varieties were held throughout the country.

While William and Mary were trimming Emory and Henry, and while the Army was falling a victim to Tufts', the Brafferton eleven were playing rings around the Tylerites. Tyler had the heaviest team, and with "All-American" Cook playing quarterback, there was every reason to believe that Brafferton would taste the dregs of defeat. But the Brafferton eleven gave the elastic "dope" its greatest upset of the year by defeating their opponents, 13 to 0, in a struggle that will ever be remembered by football authorities and those who witnessed the fight.

After the game a consultation was held with Coach "Pinkey" Owen of Tyler, who claimed that his defeat was due to too many "green" men and a lack of "neck-wringers."

INDIANS SCALP JACKETS

William and Mary Warriors Administer a Good Thrashing to Randolph-Macon in a Snappy Game by a 21-6 Score

The game started with Randolph-Macon kicking off to William and Mary. Lassiter received the ball and ran it back to the thirty five yard line, but William and Mary lost the ball on a fumble. However, she regained the ball on downs but again lost it on a fumble. After the Jackets had unseccessfully attempted two forward passes the ball was recovered by Brittingham. Close then punted and Reddick received the ball on the fifty yard line and ran down the field for a touchdown. Randolph Macon failed to kick goal. Lassiter received the kick off and ran the ball back considerably. Close punted but was blocked. He recovered the ball though and then punted to the fifty yard line. The first quarter closed R.-M.-6; W. & M.-0.

The second quarter started with Randolph Macon kicking off. Brooks received and carried the ball twenty yards. In the play that followed Lassiter made thirty-five yards around left end. Brittingham also followed suit by circling left end for twenty yards. Now with the ball on R. M.'s 10 yard line and only first down Brittingham dashed around right end for a touchdown. Brooks then kicked goal. Reddick kicked off and Fentress received, running the ball back to the thirty yard line. Fentress then carried the ball fifteen yards for the first down through the line. Lassiter then diver around left end for eight yards. Brittingham then slipped around right end for fifteen yards, making first down. Then with a sudden plunge Brooks made five yards through the line. We then lost the ball on downs. Randolph-Macon by a series of line plunges made the first down. They next punted and the ball was put in place on our twenty yard line. The half ended. R. M.-6; W. & M.-7.

The second half began by Riddick kicking off to W. & M. Brooks received and carried the ball back to the thirty yard line. Webb recovered a fumble and Close punted. R.-M. brought the ball back to the forty yard line. Riddick then dashed thru

the Indian line for fifteen yards. Riddick then punted and Brooks brought the ball back to the thirty yard line. The first down was then made, but not making sufficient gains Close punted and Riddick ran the ball back to the forty yard line. R. M. then completes one forward pass, but Fentress intercepts another and makes fifteen yards. The third quarter ended R.-M.-6; W. & M. 7.

The fourth quarter began with the ball in William and Mary's territory. They then made the first down by a series of line plunges. Lassiter then made a twenty-five yard run for the first down. The ball is then pushed forward to R.-M.'s eight yard line. Lassiter carried the ball over the goal line for a touchdown. Brooks then kicked goal. Riddick kicked off and Brooks received, carrying the ball forward to the thirty-five yard line. Close punted and Riddick carried the ball back, Brooks then intercepted a forward pass and carried the ball eighteen yards. Close punted to R.-M.'s ten yard line but William and Mary held them for the fourth down, but in turn also lost the ball on downs. Brooks then received a forward pass and carried the pigskin to a touchdown. He also kicked goal. Riddick received Close's punt and ran it back thirty yards. The whistle then blew and the quarter ended.

W. & M. R.-M.
Chisholm.....L E.....Scott, L. E.
Stephens.....L T.....Copely
Stout.....L G.....Sims
Garber.....C.....Scott, J. J.
Webb.....R G.....Richardson
Close.....R T.....Beaghy
Ferguson.....R E.....Cardwell
Brooks.....Q B.....Riddick
Fentress.....R H.....Newell
Lassiter.....L H.....Scott
Brittingham.....F B.....Smoot
Substitutes: W. & M.—Inman for Ferguson, Foster for Inman, Berman for Brooks; R.-M.—Gill for Richardson, Fringer for Gill, Lopez for Scott, Scott for Guin.

Officials: Morris, Pennsylvania referee; Kays, King College, umpire, Hargrove, V. P. I., headlinesman.

LITERARY SOCIETIES

Societies Doing Good Work—Freshman Contest December 8th.

There is perhaps no more profitable way of spending the Saturday evenings than that offered by the Phoenix and Philomathean Literary Societies. Every student in college is not only invited to go into one of the literary society halls each Saturday evening and hear the program rendered, but every man is urged to feel that it is a duty which he owes himself to join one of them. It is all too true that no one of us can hope to develop into a Demosthenese or a Cicero but our horizons will undoubtedly be broadened by the investment of an hour each week in that phase of college life which helps a man to speak his thoughts. The literary societies have been somewhat longer getting straightened out for their regular work this year than usual. But it is the general opinion of the old members of each society that the work done this year will be as commendable as usual.

We expect the annual freshman contest which will be held in the chapel on the night of December 8th to give an idea of the ability of the freshmen.

A preliminary contest in which the freshmen who wish to compete for the honor of representing the society of which they are members in the Inter-society Contest on the eighth of December, will be held in each of the society halls on the night of the first of December.

Any freshman may appear before his society in the preliminary contest, in debate, or oration, or declamation, or reading.

One man representing his society in one of the above branches of work will meet an opponent representing the opposite society. All four lines—debate, oration, declamation and reading will be represented by some freshman. Who will prove himself the choice of his society and help hold the banner in the Phoenix Hall or show by outclassing the Phoenixians that the era of rivalry between the societies has awakened and that Philomathean men are not submissive on all occasions.

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TUESDAY, NOV 13, 1917

With America's entrance in the present world conflict there arose the problematical question: "What part should the American college student play in this great world crisis?" America has never before needed her young men as she does today. The service demands them, industry claims them, and agriculture desires them. We do not doubt that the worthy course would be to shoulder his gun and take his place in the ranks; but we do doubt that his best usefulness to the nation would be to join the service.

College men should not get the notion that they are not helping their country unless they are actually engaged in service. America can use them in another way and through them our colleges can exercise a steadying influence in this regard. There is a place for the physician of public opinion to exercise a curative impulse. The younger generation who are in our colleges, who go to their homes and control to a very large extent public opinion, can in this way play its part and do its bit.

To secure this influence that we are speaking of, does not mean that one can merely take his place in college and watch others doing things. Nor can we just be "grinds" and burn the midnight oil or be the leader of the team who cannot take his place with the rest of the herd. We must know the fundamental requisite of obedience as well as those of leadership. Nor can this place include the "loafer," who throws his precious minutes away as the millionaire does his dollars. Students make the most of your college life. Let each second of your minute count. Your country demands it!

When Americans begin to realize the size of the task ahead of them, then and then only, will the American college man take his rightful place in this world's great conflict. Furthermore, we can hope for the rearing of a race of men better fit, both physically and mentally, to meet the intrigues of the Boches. Fellow students this place is yours; what will you make of it, for yourself and Old Glory!

CHAPEL SERVICES.

As most of the students know the Y. M. C. A. has charge of the chapel services on the days that the services are voluntary. The Y. M. C. A. Cabinet secures a speaker to conduct these exercises each week. The speaker is usually some member of the college faculty or some minister of the town. Students are urged to attend these talks as they are always instructive and helpful.

Mr. Laughton of the Methodist Church conducted these exercises last week. He talked on Moses, Joshua and Elijah. Special emphasis was laid on the manly qualities of these men and the influence such exemplary lives as these should have on our own. The last of these talks, the one on Elijah, was especially good. The qualities of fearlessness and love of the right, qualities so characteristic of Elijah, were shown. Mr. Laughton is a good speaker and each talk he gave was interesting and instructive.

The first monthly vesper service of the year was held in the college chapel last Sunday. Dr. Young of Richmond College was the speaker of the occasion.

GRIDIRON GLEANINGS

The results of Saturday's game with the Jackets shows without doubt that we have a team to be proud of. It is the first time for years that a William and Mary team has shaken off the "last place hoodoo." Fellows get behind your team!

"Fats" Wallace, former captian and player of the Indians, and Goslee of last years varsity are playing a star game for Camp McClellan this season.

Riddick, the diminutive quarter of the Jackets, pulled the feature of the game when he got away with one of Close's punts and practically ran through the whole Indian team for the first touchdown of the game.

Fellows, you should have seen those Indians wake up after that touchdown! They saw that it was up to them to fight if they wanted that game. In the last half they literally played the Jackets off their feet.

The absence of Jim Warren, captain and fullback of the Tigers from the line-up was keenly felt in the

game with the Spiders Saturday.

Our first touchdown which put us on even terms with the Jackets was the result of Lassiter's, Brittingham's and Fentress's off tackle runs.

The team is in first class condition and will be ready for the Spiders in a few days. "Ducs," ask an upper-classman what a victory this Saturday means to the Indians!

Get busy cheer leaders!

Fair young lady looking interested: Mr. Cook what position do you play on the William and Mary team?

Cook, eagerly: Oh! hum—er. I am the star fullback.

Young lady: O! isn't he dear?

Cook: But I didn't get in the game today.

Young lady angrily: Sir! You mean thing.

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Dean Murry, B. J. Johnson, M. E. Stout and "Duc" McCotter, spent the last week-end at their respective homes.

A. L. Lassiter stopped off in Petersburg on the return trip from Emory, in interest of the Colonial Echo.

W. L. McCormick '17, spent last Wednesday on the Campus. "Mac" is in the Coast Artillery and has taken his "exams" for a commission.

Have you signed up for your 1918 Colonial Echo? If not, see one of the business managers at once.

Platoon drill has been the order of the day in military the past week. Battalion drill will come next.

Boys get some spirit in yourselves. Don't you feel proud to attend the same college that the Father of Democracy attended?

Dr. Tyler gave an interesting talk to the students in Chapel Thursday morning.

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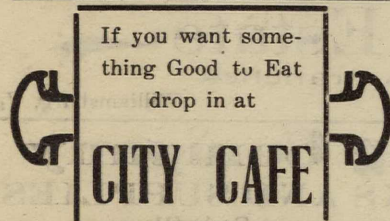
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